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VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, DC 20554

Re: **Former Nextel Communications, Inc. Upper 700 MHz Guard Band Licenses and Revisions to Part 27 of the Commission's Rules, WT Docket No. 06-169; The Development of Operational Technical and Spectrum Requirements for Meeting Federal, State and Local Public Safety Communication Requirements Through the Year 2010, WT Docket No. 96-86.**

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On 4 December 2006, Ken Budka and I, on behalf of Alcatel-Lucent, met with Angela E. Giancarlo, Legal Advisor to Federal Communications Commissioner Robert M. McDowell for Wireless and International Issues. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss, reiterate and affirm Lucent's position in the above referenced proceedings.

Alcatel-Lucent continues to support the need for a broadband-only 6 MHz broadband block in the 700 MHz public safety spectrum space. In addition, we believe that there is broad consensus among commenters in the Guard Band proceeding that the benefits of a 6+6 band plan greatly outweigh the costs associated with reprogramming existing radio equipment. Finally, the Federal Communications Commission should specify 1.25 MHz as a basic broadband channel size and allow for aggregation of multiple 1.25 MHz broadband channels in the 12 MHz of space currently set aside for public safety. Further substance of the discussion is set forth in the attached handout.

In accordance with Section 1.1206(b)(2) of the Commission's rules, this letter is being filed electronically with your office. Please contact the undersigned with any questions in connection with this filing.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Michael T. McMenamin", is positioned above a horizontal line.

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cc: Angela Giancarlo